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Court finds SN Band Council, former councillor defamed publisher

BRANTFORD-An Ontario Superior Court justice has awarded Turtle Island News publisher, Lynda Powless, damages in a four year old defamation libel case she launched against the Six Nations Band Council and former councillor Claudine VanEvery-Albert in 2009.

The case stemmed from an article inserted into the band's monthly newsletter, written by VanEvery-Albert in May of 2009. VanEvery-Albert sat as the band council's appointee to the Haudenosaunee Six Nations finance committee and co-chaired the committee.

VanEvery-Albert's article claimed Powless was paid over \$200,000 but failed to produce any work while undertaking the position of media relations for the Six Nations Confederacy Chiefs during the 2006 Six Nations protest and negotiations.

After a four day trial, Justice D.S. Crane found "the defendant (VanEvery-Albert and band) published the subject article, knowing that what she wrote was false, she intended and did use a legitimate occasion of qualified privilege to discredit the character and hence effectiveness of the plaintiff (Powless) within their community of the Six Nations. In short, the defendant Ms. VanEvery-Albert did not have an honest belief in what she wrote I find the defence of qualified privilege is defeated. Accordingly there will be judgement for the plaintiff against each of the defendants, jointly and severally."

He wrote at one point VanEvery-Albert was asked (by Powless's solicitor Howard Staats) why she did not contact Ms. Powless before publishing her article, she suggested that she had written two-emails which were "bounced back."

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Justice Crane wrote the "credibility of the defendant, Ms. VanEvery-Albert is successfully challenged...The defendant in her evidence in-chief indicated she saw her role as protecting proper process, transparency and documentation. When she was brought to the admission (by Powless's lawyer, Howard Staats) that she had approved payment to Ms. Powless, her response was that her responsibility was not to public funds but only as a member of the Elected Council."

"Further she allowed that she did not know the process of the committee that she co-chaired when it was suggested to her that funds for the negotiation tables came through the government, who sent the funds to GRETI, who in turn paid the expenses of the Confederacy negotiation team."

He wrote VanEvery-Albert made no attempts to ask Elvera Garlow, executive director of GREAT and GRETI (who oversaw the funds). Justice D.S. Crane wrote in his 15 page reasons for judgement "The plaintiff (Powless) had much to lose; her life's work, including the editorship of the Turtle Island News. Her commentaries on the public life and governances of the Six Nations of the Grand River, and of aboriginal issues throughout Canada, make Ms Powless a public figure of stature within her immediate and larger community. It is well known that once reputation is lost, or even suspected, it becomes very difficult to erase what might be generally referred to as the public mind."

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of the libel." In reaching his judgement, he said, he considered "the mode of publication which put the defamation through the whole of the plaintiff's community. In addition, there has been a refusal or absence of retroaction, apology or even a correction for those statements that the defendant must acknowledge are errors of fact; this, together with the steadfast refusal of the defendant to do anything to lessen the sting of her defamation of the plaintiff through to the culmination of this trial."



The evidence of "VanEvery-Albert was found to be "self serving and unreliable." Justice D.S Crane

Justice Crane said, as a result of evidence presented, "I conclude the plaintiff did perform extensive and important work, significantly in the 2006-2007 period. I further conclude that the involvement of the plaintiff (Powless) in this galvanizing dispute was a matter of general public knowledge within the Six Nations Reserve and beyond."

He concluded "that a fair and right thinking person reading the subject article would conclude that in June of 2008 Lynda Powless sought payment of over \$200,000 from public monies on a bare demand without any indication of whom, if anyone, authorized whatever she may have done."

He wrote Ms. VanEvery-Albert put herself in the role of the "prudent protector of public funds, challenging and implying by innuendo that she did not authorize payment (to Powless) given that she had no knowledge of any work done by Ms. Powless, that there was no contract and no deliverables (work product). Then, later in March 2009, Ms. VanEvery-Albert learns through rumour, i.e. outside of the HSN Finance Committee that Ms. Powless was paid her invoice (\$216,000). Her payment made through a process unauthorized and unknown to this defendant (VanEvery-Albert) that involved approval by two unidentified members of the Confederacy Chief's Council."

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He wrote as a result of her article, "I conclude that the words of the article convey the meaning that the plaintiff (Powless) is a dishonest person who took advantage of a situation of crisis at the DCE (former Douglas Creek Estates) to obtain a large sum of money for which she did not have a contract and did not earn. I hold that she has been defamed."

He wrote the band and VanEvery-Albert failed to justify the article in claiming errors of facts in article were confused through the honest mistake and that the article was not about the plaintiff, (Powless) but about the administrative process of the HSN.

He wrote that Powless was not paid \$216,000...she had deliverables and she performed her contract competently and fully, deserving of the monies paid to her. This included a legitimate expenditure of public funds in the course of the formal negotiations process. The process of approval and payment was

within the HSN Finance Committee and GRETI. The defendants have failed to justify the article."

During the course of the four day trial, court was told the issue arose out of the 2006 standoff and barricades. Powless was brought into the scenario through the Confederacy council who acquired her services as a result of the Province of Ontario and federal government seeking formalized negotiations with the Confederacy.

Powless was asked by the Confederacy to become the media advisor "during these trying times." Justice Crane wrote, "I accept that the undertaking of the plaintiff was to be the voice of the Confederacy and the communications person with other negotiating parties, Ontario and Canada. Her services included drafting and issuing of (over 100) releases to a long list of media entities to explain the case for the Six Nations land claims and the peaceful intention of the Six Nations people in the DCE dispute. In addition she was to advise the negotiators on issues of media relations, including writing of speeches for negotiations."

"Ms. Powless was to be paid if and when funds became available to the Confederacy. I find on the evidence that this method of providing services to the Confederacy on the basis of being paid, if and when funds were available to the Confederacy, was well recognized; and for those persons, who acknowledged the Confederacy Council Chiefs as their rightful governing body, fully acceptable to them. Although there is no evidence of the actual division of the 12,000 residents of the Six Nations Reserve as to allegiance to the disparate governances, there clearly is a significant division."

B.C. appeal court upholds Nisga'a treaty against constitutional challenge

VANCOUVER, B.C.- British Columbia's first modern-day treaty has withstood a constitutional challenge launched by two members

of the Nisga'a Nation. On Tuesday, Court of Appeal dismissed an action by James Robinson and Mercy Thomas, ruling the legisla-

tive and self-government powers granted to the nation by the Nisga'a Final Agreement are constitutionally valid.

Robinson and Thomas argued the treaty is an attempt to create a "third order of government." They also argued the treaty

was an abdication of federal and provincial powers, noting it gives the nation the power to tax and create courts of law.

California-bound dance troupe show skills at weekend fundraiser

By Chase Jarrett Writer

A fledgling traditional dance group from Oliver M. Smith school has set their sights on California this year and are fundraising.

Niyohkwarita'a Dance Troupe held a roast beef dinner at ILA (Iroquois Lacrosse Arena) over the weekend where they saw their sights on California this year and are fundraising. About \$1,200 was raised for the trip planned for June.

steadily since its start in 2010 and their annual trip - which have included destinations as far as New Mexico and British Columbia - has become a favourite. "A lot of our kids have never traveled before," said Brant. "These are experiences they never could've gotten." She said when they visited the Squamish in B.C. an elder presented the kids with eagle feathers, and in New Mexico the kids got to see a dance with over 1,000 participants.

families. Brant said she likes the dancers to see that there are "more natives than just us." This year's destination is an exchange with the Kumeyaay people near Berona, California. There are also talks of a possible Disneyland performance, revealed Terrylyn Brant, who is vice principal at OMSK. It was too early for more details. A round dance, a light-footed and complicated rabbit dance, as well as a smoke dance which is a



Hoop dancer Nikkie Shawana jumps through the hoops showing her sons Waskwaabiish, 4, and Miikaanhs, 2 how easy it can be, for her that is. (Photo by Jim C Powless)

OMSK, and a last minute move to ILA, only Nikkie Shawana was able to perform her hoop dancing.

Her two sons - Waskwaabiish, 4, and Miikaanhs, 2 - joined her with their own hoops. After her performance she showed a

few of the Niyohkwarita'a dancers how to prop hoops against their backs to look like wings.

Shawana said the youth will be out sharing culture and she performs to "spark an interest" in younger generations.

At the close of the dance Theda Brant introduced her newly appointed head dancers MacKenzie Miller, Grade 5, and Chancey Martin, Grade 6. After, Valentines Day gift bags were awarded to participants in a silent auction.



OMSK students were all dressed up Sunday for an afternoon of traditional social dancing. (Photo by Chase Jarrett)

"Our kids have become really confident," said Theda Brant, head of the dance troupe and organizer of Sunday's fundraiser. Brant is a Mohawk language teacher at OMSK. The dance group has grown

The troupe flies - often times with whole families coming along for the ride - to dance and exchange with different First Nations across Turtle Island. Between 20 and 30 kids have gone each year with their

student favourite, were performed for the close to 70 who came out to support the troupe.

The annual fundraiser usually has more than just one performer but due to complications with hydro at



It was backwards and forwards as boys and girls chased each other during a traditional duck dance. (Photo by Chase Jarrett)

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Mohawk Chapel elevator to be celebrated

The controversial construction of an elevator at the historic Mohawk Chapel in Brantford is complete. Last spring, dig-

ging crews struck a number of gravesites adjacent to the chapel while installing the elevator. Installation plans had to be

altered to avoid hitting more gravesites. Ontario Lieutenant Governor David Onley is scheduled to attend a dedication cer-

emony of the new elevator March 20. The elevator was installed to assist church-goers and visitors with physical disabilities

and was funded through a grant from the Ontario Trillium Foundation.

Snow storm hammers Six Nations, Public Works put to test

By Chase Jarrett
Writer

Six Nations Band Council Administration and Public Works were hard at work Friday after a snow storm resulted in dangerous driving conditions and closures. Weather alerts said almost

schools, Friday closings included: Grand River Post Secondary Education office, Lloyd S. King Elementary School, New Credit Council operations, Kawennio/Gaweniyio School, Six Nations daytime classes and ATEP (Aborigi-

Bomberry said in a phone interview. Bomberry, Senior Admin. Officer, said offices only close without power or gas "If there's no hydro here, or heat, people can't do work. It's a case by case analysis. "The roads guys are out



While adults struggled with the storm, for kids it was snow day fun. (Photos by Jim C Powless)

25 centimetres were expected at a rate of up to four centimetres per hour. Alerts warned of rapid

naal Teacher Education Program) evening classes, Onondaga language classes, Little Treasures Daycare,

clearing the roads with all the vehicles," he said. "The maintenance guys are out doing their jobs as well." Public works director Michael Montour said public works was out in full force. "We have four plows, two graders, and a sidewalk scraper. We deployed everything."

Seven employees manned 175 kilometres of Six Nations roads. "It's a daunting task - especially when it keeps coming down like this," Montour said. Friday's storm was the worst he's seen on the job, said Montour who has been director of Public Works for about a year.

"We knew the storm was coming and we tried to stay ahead of it." Preparations included checking vehicles and storing them with salt and sand.

Equipment to check road temperatures was also used. "We watch out for possible ice conditions and work closely with police."

The storm hit around 3 a.m. early Friday morning and didn't let up until the Saturday. "It's a process where we



A familiar sight last Friday, friends helping friends pushing out cars (Photos by Jim C Powless)

are keeping going," said Montour, adding the department works around the clock. "They're out and they'll be out until it's done. They work so hard to keep the community safe." Restaurants, like TNT, Er-

lind's, and Village Pizza were alive and well despite the merciless snow. "We're open for business!" said manager of Village Pizza, Natasha Isaacs.

an essential service," she joked. Over at the Six Nations Police station it was business as usual. Police released a travel advisory on their web site with tips for safe driving in bad weather.

"Don't travel if you have don't to," Deputy Chief Rocki Smith said, adding that if travel is a must to slow down, take time, and drive safely.

weather and drive accordingly."

He said police look out for the odd fender bender or car in the ditch, but don't expect major accidents. "It's not like people don't know about the storm."

On Monday, Michael Seth, chief of Six Nations Fire Dept. said Friday was quiet. "Nothing significant - a couple motor vehicle accidents, but nothing severe,"



On Monday a school bus slid into a ditch on Town Line Road. The bus was headed to Boston Elementary school and Waterford high school. Students were unharmed and a second bus responded. The students were unloaded and taken to school. (Photo by Chase Jarrett)

She said it was busy. "People can still get through the snow to get their pizza and wings!" She said sales were as high as any other Friday. "I guess we're considered

Despite conditions police were not worried. "We find that most of the people here are used to driving in this weather," he said. "People respect the

he said. He said the station is equipped to deal with the snow. "It was a pretty quiet day considering all the snow that we had."



Snow day, for little Keely Staats means helping out at home no matter what the age. (Photo by Jim C Powless)

snow build up with high winds and low visibility. Five federal schools (ECG, ILT, Jamieson, JC Hill, OMSK) cancelled student buses before closing their doors to teachers too by early afternoon.

In addition to federal and OSTTC (Ogwehoweh Skills and Trades training centre) classes. While youngsters enjoyed a snow day Band Council administration was open. "The offices are open so we can provide services to the community," Dayle

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Passenger charged with possession of Marihuana

A Six Nations woman Bailey Catherine Porter, 19, has been charged with Possession of Marihuana. Six Nations Police were

investigating a crash on Sixth Line Road late Sunday night when a plastic bag containing marihuana was located in one of the vehi-

cles. A female passenger was arrested and charged. Reports say she has been released on a Promise to Appear.

Enbridge wants band council support in Line 9B project

By Donna Durie
Writer

Enbridge Pipelines Inc. is seeking band council's support in its controversial Line 9B reversal project, which crosses unceded Six Nations lands near Cambridge. Enbridge representatives insist the oil-carrying pipeline will be safe as it awaits approval from the National Energy Board on the controversial reversal from Sarnia to Montreal.

Representatives from the company's aboriginal affairs division have been meeting quietly with staff from Lands and Resources since last summer and have since appealed to council that the project is safe during a presentation to Council's Committee of the Whole on Feb. 4.

It was the first time Enbridge reps met with councillors.

Before Enbridge reps could begin their presentation at the meeting, however, Councillor Carl Hill warned them the dis-

cussion was not to be considered consultation. "Just for the record, I don't consider this consultation here," he said. Enbridge is proposing to reverse a section of the aging Line 9 pipeline between North Westover, Ontario and Montreal, Quebec to accommodate demand for access to western Canadian crude to supply the Quebec refining market.

Currently, the pipeline transports crude oil from overseas in a westbound direction. Enbridge says increasing the supply of lower-priced Canadian oil to Canadian refineries benefits the refining industry and the Canadian economy overall.

Council said it was concerned with Enbridge's shaky safety record. In 2010, one of Enbridge's pipelines in Michigan burst, spilling about one million gallons of crude oil into the Kalamazoo River, according to the U.S. Environmental Pro-

tection Agency. Enbridge was subsequently criticized for its handling of the spill.

Danielle Birtch, an advisor with the company's aboriginal affairs division, said Enbridge has been doing inspections on the 40-year-old pipe in the last few months and plans to do more in preparation for the reversal project.

"They ran some inspection tools in the last few months and based on the data, the analysis identified specific points on the pipeline that need to be dug up and inspected and if it requires repair or replacement, they'll do that at that time," she said. Jamie Honda-McNeil, Enbridge's manager of aboriginal affairs, said the company does integrity checks and monitors their lines 24/7 through a control centre that detects anomalies in the pressure of the pipes.

"Any changes at all are inspected immediately," he said. "There are also

physical inspections on a weekly basis. There's a significant degree of rigour in maintaining the lines. Our first concern with this line is safety, and the environment, secondly."

He said they have a program that gives \$10,000 to first responders should there be an emergency oil spill on Grand River territory.

Councillor Ava Hill balked at the figure. "You can't even buy the gas," it takes to respond with that amount of money, she said.

Birtch admitted Line 9 has leaked about one barrel of oil since the pipeline was built in the 1970s.

Councillor Ross Johnson wanted to know if Six Nations has ever benefitted financially from the existing Line 9A pipeline.

Honda-McNeil said he wasn't aware of any agreements ever made with Six Nations. "Certainly none that I'm

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aware of," he said. Councillor Dave Hill said Enbridge owes Six Nations millions for operating on its land since the 70s, without compensation.

"We're going to have to sit down and do some talking there," he said. "I think you owe us big bucks, in my books."

In addition to meeting with band council, Honda-McNeil said Enbridge has also reached out to the Haudenosaunee Development Institute, an arm of the Confederacy, as part of its duty to consult with aboriginals.

"We've sent information to the HDI and we haven't heard back," he said. "We met with one individual there and had a general discussion but there was no follow-up from that individual."

At that point, Councillor Carl Hill piped up, "Just for the record, we don't recognize the HDI. I want you to know that."

Honda-McNeil replied that the Ontario Energy Ministry "seems to recognize the duty to consult and contact that group" and that's why Enbridge is meeting with reps from both the elected council and Confederacy Council. Elected Chief Bill Montour asked for a map of all the Enbridge pipelines in Ontario after reps told council an already-existing Enbridge pipeline crosses underneath the Grand River in Caledonia. Enbridge representatives said they'll continue to meet with band council's consultation team, which includes lands and resources director Lonny Bomberry, lands consultant Phil Monture, and Joanne Thomas, Six Nations council's land use consultation first point of contact person.

"We have a lot of concerns," said Montour. "We want to make sure we understand what you're doing and how it's going to be maintained."

Mohawk College says Six Nations has highest retention rates

By Donna Durie
Writer

Aboriginal students at Mohawk College are doing well - even better than their non-native peers.

They have a higher graduation rate than non-aboriginal students, one of the highest retention rates at the school and report the most satisfaction in their programs.

"We're especially proud of our aboriginal students who have achieved among the highest retention rates in the school," said Wayne Poirier, vice-president of student services at Council's Committee of the Whole meeting Monday. "In fact, we're looking

to replicate the success of our aboriginal students with our non-aboriginal students college-wide."

In addition to the positive news about aboriginal student success, college officials announced they're building a brand-new aboriginal education student centre and they want to honour Six Nations in the design of the building.

College officials met with councillors at Monday's Committee of the Whole meeting saying they want to honour the successes and culture of aboriginal people and to use the college as a medium for helping non-native students

understand the history and culture of Six Nations and New Credit.

Acknowledging the recent ignorance that has stemmed from the current Idle No More movement, both councillors and college officials agreed that many non-aboriginal people lack an understanding of aboriginal history, culture and politics.

"I know with the recent hunger strike with Theresa Spence there was a lot of ignorance out there in terms of how people view First Nations," said Councillor Wray Maracle. "I think (we need to educate people) on First Nations history and how we

helped shape Canada and contributed to Canada."

Despite that, he said, "we're still classed as third-world citizens." Poirier said they will work to help non-aboriginal students better understand the aboriginal experience, citing the negative portrayal of aboriginal people in the media.

"It's definitely not a fair portrayal," he said. Councillor Ava Hill suggested the college hold symposiums on native issues, particularly on Six Nations land rights, that are open to the general student population.

Poirier agreed it was something they would

work on. "We need to do more," he said. "So this upcoming year we've freed up some resources to...map out some awareness courses. Certainly when you see things in the media it's just not an accurate portrayal."

The initiatives are part of a new Aboriginal Education and Student Services Strategic Roadmap the college is rolling out in the next couple of years.

"We know that the namesake of our college is directly related to Six Nations," said Poirier. "We want to recognize that. It's something that was not formally done in the

past, so in the very near future (we) will engage with the Six Nations community to help us choose a name and to design the front of our new aboriginal education student centre to recognize the significance of our namesake."

He said the college plans on creating a renewed five-year vision and mandate for aboriginal education this spring.

He also invited council to take a tour of the campus to view the work it's doing with aboriginal education.

"Mohawk college values the Six Nations of the Grand River," said Poirier.

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COMMENTARY

COMMENTARY A third order of government

Let's see there's the Six Nations Confederacy Council. And there's the Six Nations Elected Council. And now, well it appears we have emerging the Samsung Green Energy Council!

A third level of government at Six Nations, just what the community needs.

An interesting dialogue has emerged between a developer, in this case Samsung Renewable Energy Inc., the Six Nations Elected Band Council (SNEBC) and the Haudenosaunee Confederacy Chiefs Council (HCCC) and its development department the HDI.

In a letter Samsung says it has the best interests of Six Nations at heart as it gets its wind turbines and solar farms up on unceded Six Nations lands.

And it is so anxious to help the community it wants to establish a trust to funnel monies negotiated by the band council, \$50 million over 20 years, into and it has been so kind as to decide to earmark \$250,000 (coincidentally the same amount the band gives from the gaming funds to the Haudenosaunee Resource Centre annually for languages) to the HCCC for language and culture but it would flow through the same trust. A trust it says that will be independent, transparent and a third party at arms length from both local governing bodies.

How accommodating of them to take care of that for us. The problem is it's the same trust the elected band council wants to establish and wants all monies to flow through. And undoubtedly will report to them.

The HCCC hasn't even been asked to develop its own trust or if it wants its measly \$250,000 to flow through a trust.

And while the band council may not like it, HDI director Hazel Hill is correct. It is not up to Samsung to decide for Six Nations how Six Nations will handle its own money. It's just up to them to send the cheque.

And it certainly isn't up to the band council to decide for the HCCC how the confederacy's money will flow, where it flow or what it will be used for anymore than it would be up to the HCCC to control the elected band council's funds.

That kind of lateral abuse has to come to end, the bullying has to stop. It's the type of oppression Canada has inflicted on First Nations for generations through the Indian Act and making band's accountable to a minister not their communities while overthrowing traditional governments and breeding a form of internal oppression, that has become so effective it is tearing communities apart and has reached into Six Nations polarizing the community.

It creates a chaos with the governing bodies on either side and the people caught in the middle, not knowing who to trust.

Six Nations needs to get it act together.

The band council needs to find a way to stop telling the Confederacy what to do and insulting it at every turn and the same can be said for the Confederacy. Until they do Six Nations will continue to have a third level of government here...developers telling us what to do while pushing the interests of Ontario and Canada.



Letters: Samsung says...

Letter to the Editor from Samsung Renewable Energy Inc.

Re: Band Council Wants to Control Money Flowing To Confederacy - February 6, 2013

Dear Editor:
Your article about Grand Renewable Energy Park includes quotations that falsely characterize negotiations between Samsung Renewable Energy Inc. (Samsung) and the Six Nations community.

Samsung deeply respects the history of the Six Nations people, their treaty rights and their on-the-ground realities.

Along with our development partner Pattern Energy Group LP (Pattern), Samsung has worked diligently since 2010 to consult with the community and to come to an agreement on a significant, ongoing financial partnership.

Our May 2012 agreement with Six Nations Elected Council will flow many millions of dollars to benefit the whole Six Nations community.

In an effort to include the

Haudenosaunee Confederacy Chiefs Council (HCCC) in the process, we have met over many months to share details of the project, receive their feedback and look for opportunities to collaborate. This has resulted in Samsung's proposal of an additional benefit that would be earmarked for the Haudenosaunee Resource Centre's (HRC) cultural and language preservation efforts. This proposal is an effort to provide a meaningful contribution to a high-priority item identified by HCCC.

We have proposed that this additional benefit flow through an independent, transparent third-party trust that is at arm's length from HCCC and the Elected Council. This trust will receive and administer all funds, including those contained in the original agreement with the Elected Council, as well as the new benefit proposed to the HCCC. The trust, which will be controlled by Six Nations community mem-

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HDI says...



HDI executive director Hazel Hill

My comments have not changed as I stated in last week's paper.

It is colonialistic and paternalistic for Samsung and its minority partner the Six Nations Elected Band Council (SNEBC) determine a funding agent for Confederacy people.

We have seen the results of a third party 'trust' including one held by the British Crown that saw Six Nations assets build the very foundation of Canada with no accountability to the Six Nations people throughout all the history of Canada.

Instead our lands were lost and continue to remain under the jurisdiction of the crown. Canada has infringed upon our treaty rights through impact benefit agreements such as the one

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the very agreement the Six Nations Elected Band Council and Samsung, with Ontario's blessing have signed gain \$50,000 million, but one that we see as relinquishment of our land to the crown, lands that the Haudenosaunee Confederacy Council Chiefs (HCCCC) had just negotiated the return of, for the Six Nations people, and lands that the HCCC will never relinquish no matter what amount of money is thrown on the table.

We are seeing similar types of agreements being negotiated with other cities including one the SNEBC is currently negotiating with Brantford and Brant County over unceded lands along the Tutela Heights.

We see these types of impact benefit agreements as an acknowledgement that a type of surrender took place, without the HCCC knowledge or approval, or the agreement of the Six Nations people.

The trust that is being suggested is to be set up by, and managed by, the SNEBC. So I don't see it as, as simple or transparent as they are trying to suggest.

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The Confederacy is merely taking responsibility for itself and its people and doesn't need the 'great white father' to look after us or our finances.

The HCCC and its people are neither ignorant or inept, we are fully capable and accountable to take care of ourselves. Hazel Hill, Interim executive director HDI

Boyfriend charged for Domestic Assault

A Six Nations woman Bailey Catherine Porter, 19, has been charged with Possession of Marihuana. Six Nations Police were investigating a crash on Sixth

Line Road late Sunday night when a plastic bag containing marihuana was located in one of the vehicles. A female passenger was arrested and charged. Reports

say she has been released on a Promise to Appear. Six Nations Police are withholding names after a Six Nations man was arrested and charged with

two counts of assault after a domestic dispute. At 11 p.m. Feb. 8 police responded to a 911 call at a residence on Fourth Line Road. Officers found a 22-

year-old female had been allegedly assaulted by her 26-year-old boyfriend who was then arrested. He was held in custody for a formal bail hearing.

Senator Patrick Brazeau put on leave to protect 'dignity' of Senate

OTTAWA — Patrick Brazeau has been put on a leave of absence, with the Senate saying the move was needed to protect "the dignity" of the upper chamber. There was no debate on the motion Tuesday afternoon.

Brazeau, who surprised his peers by showing up in the first place, stood up and immediately walked out the front door of the chamber. Now an independent after being kicked out the Conservative caucus last week, Brazeau had taken his new chair, in the back corner of the red chamber, close to the door. No one sat beside him, although most senators appeared to be present.

He retains his title and salary, but is severely limited in his ability to access Senate resources and take part in debates.

The 38-year old senator from Quebec was released on \$1,000 bail Friday after being charged with assault and sexual assault. He was arrested Thursday and spent that night in a Gatineau jail.

The charges against him are summary offences, which are considered under the law less serious than indictable ones. This means he could not be automatically

put on leave: under Senate rules, an automatic leave of absence is provided to senators charged with indictable offences.

Under the Constitution, if a senator is convicted of an indictable offense with jail

time of no less than two years, he or she is automatically disqualified from the upper chamber and the seat becomes vacant. A conviction under a summary offense requires the Senate as a whole to approve remov-



FRED CHARTRAND / THE CANADIAN PRESS Senator Patrick Brazeau is escorted out the Parliament Buildings Tuesday after he was suspended from his duties by the Senate.



THE CANADIAN PRESS/Adrian Wyld Sen. Patrick Brazeau leaves a courthouse in Gatineau, Que., after he was formally charged with assault and sexual assault Friday, Feb. 8, 2013.

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bers, will ensure that funds are allocated in keeping with the desires of the overall Six Nations community, including distribution of earmarked funds to the HRC.

We believe that a single agreement between Samsung and the Six Nations people will allow the community to determine, for itself, how best to manage, invest and distribute the funds it receives.

Samsung must move quickly towards construction to meet our mandated timelines and contractual obligations with the Government of Ontario. We appreciate HCCC's due consideration of our proposal and we look forward to moving ahead with jobs for Ontarians and for Six Nations along with strong, meaningful benefits to the Six Nations community.

Marcus Staviss, Spokesperson Samsung Renewable Energy Inc.

Editors Note: Mr. Staviss did not respond to questions by press time over who controls and is establishing the trust they propose.



THE CANADIAN PRESS/Adrian Wyld Sen. Patrick Brazeau enters a vehicle on Parliament Hill in Ottawa, Tuesday, Feb. 12, 2013. Senators have voted to force Brazeau, who is facing criminal charges, to take a leave of absence from the upper chamber.

cause convicted senators tend to resign before being turfed, allowing them to keep their pensions.

Brazeau was charged last week with assault and sexual assault. His next court appearance is March 22.

Brazeau's charges had let to investigation into potential misuse of a Senate housing allowance while reviving calls for the Red Chamber to be abolished. The Supreme Court of Canada has been

asked to review the constitutionality of Senate reform, including how the country could go about eliminating a chamber that costs about \$92-million a year, with senators who earn \$132,000 annually.

"It is profound constitutional change and you have to work with the provinces and territories," NDP leader Thomas Mulcair told reporters Monday. "It's not something that you can just

snap your fingers and say, poof, you're abolished. It doesn't work that way. But you have to start the work. "After years of abuse of taxpayers' money, of indolence, of bagmen, of cronies being named to lifetime jobs, it's about time we do away with the unelected, unanswerable Senate. It's just an anachronism. It's a vestigial organ that can be safely removed without any harm to the body-CP-

Here's the text of the motion put forward by Marjory LeBreton, the Leader of the Government in the Senate.

With leave of the Senate and notwithstanding rule 5-5(j), I move:

That, pursuant to rule 15-2(1), in order to protect the dignity and reputation of the Senate and public trust and confidence in Parliament, the Senate order a leave of absence for the Honourable Senator Brazeau to last until this order is rescinded pursuant to rule 5-5(i); and

That for the duration of this leave of absence the provisions of rule 15-1(3)(a) apply to the Senator, and the Standing Committee on Internal Economy, Budgets and Administration have authority, as it considers appropriate, to suspend the Senator's right to the use of some or all of the Senate resources otherwise made available for the carrying out of his parliamentary functions, including funds, goods, services, premises, moving, transportation, travel and telecommunication expenses.

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Lacrosse history made at Hagersville Secondary



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Hagersville Secondary will now be teaching lacrosse as a Grade 10 gym credit. If things go well it will soon be offered for the senior grades as well. (Submitted Photor)

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Knighthawks' Craig Point talks face-off strategy with two Hagersville grade 10 students

By Neil Becker
Sports Writer

Judging from the complete silence which engulfed the school gymnasium it's safe to say that both current Rochester Knighthawks stars Craig Point and Cody Jamieson had the students' undivided attention.

Recently a Grade 10 Hagersville Secondary gym class got to become part of school history by rubbing shoulders with the two elite Six Nations athletes while of course being involved in the Official face-off event which is a direct lead up to the first ever lacrosse course to be taught in all of Grand Erie and Ontario.

After starting the morning out by joking around while Hagersville gym teacher Jordan Charter ran them through some lacrosse drills they quickly became silent and awe struck as they sat in the bleachers hanging on every

word that both Jamieson and Point had to say.

"What's interesting is you can almost hear a pin drop when they were talking," Hagersville Secondary gym teacher Jordan Charter who was one of a few who were instrumental in getting this curriculum passed said.

"If it's successful then in the future we would like to expand this class for the Grade 11's and 12's." During what was a Q/A session with Charter asking all the questions these students got a chance to learn more about their heroes.

When asked about what goes through their minds during the game's national anthem both had slightly similar answers.

Jamieson who is a Hagersville Secondary school alumni and stars for the Major League Lacrosse Hamilton Nationals and Major Series Six Nations Chiefs talked about having fun and the importance no matter the level of having

fun.

"During the National anthem I like to look around the stands and take things in," Jamieson said. "I know I'm there to have fun and I keep telling myself to have fun. Lacrosse is supposed to always be fun."

Meanwhile Point talked about the importance of always being positive. "I try to always stay positive," Point said. "Go over what I have to do and eliminate any negative thoughts."

In a series of other questions the students got to learn some other things about their heroes such as their favourite move on the floor and their best moment in the sport.

"Winning the Minto Cup," Jamieson who referred to his best move as something called the "twister" said. Jamieson also talked about the jubilation of winning the National Championships in Syracuse as among his favourites.



Knighthawks Craig Point made an appearance along with teammate Cody Jamieson to Hagersville Secondary where they helped kick off the first ever lacrosse credit program which is being offered to Grade 10 students. Point spent time talking strategy and how to cheat effectively during face-offs. (Photo By Neil Becker)

Point who described his method of overpowering his opponent as a strength of his also mentioned winning Minto as a big career highlight.

With Charter along with Hagersville principal Leanne Majerovich and Education Councillor Jeannie Martin

looking on Point with a stick gave some pointers to the aspiring students on strategies of taking face-offs.

Afterwards they broke up into groups and naturally quite a few students wanted to test their skills by going up against Point.

"This is a great idea, and we're happy to be a part of it," Jamieson said.

The course which is to help promote aspects such as health, fitness, confidence and leadership won't be all fun and games.

"There will be assignments and a final test in designing a play-book," Charter said. "They will learn the history of lacrosse and will learn first aid and have to do a project."

"This program has been in the works for about a year," Martin said. "The chance to meet these players doesn't happen all the time and I'm so thankful that they came out and gave some insight into their lives while connecting with the students."

A positive sign for year one of this class is that it filled up very quickly.

"There was a lot of excitement," Charter said. "Some wanted to know if we were going to watch a professional game. They couldn't believe that this was being offered as a credit."

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Hawks turn up the heat against Wellesley as they tie series at two wins a piece

By Neil Becker
Sports Writer

There was no panic coming from the Hagersville Hawks camp after dropping their first two playoff games against Wellesley.

Perhaps due to being a little off from their first round bye the Hawks who finished the regular season second in the McConnell Conference began their best of seven playoff series with 3-2 and 4-1 losses before rebounding to win the next

two games.

"There were a few things said to wake guys up," Hawks coach Todd Demille said about the aftermath of their Game 2 loss at home. "We went through the playoff grind last year and there was no need to panic."

Hagersville made a bold statement with their play in Game 3 as they fired an unbelievable 44 shots on goal and got a four goal performance from veteran forward



Hagersville Hawks rookie forward Mitch Green gets ready to unleash a slapshot on goal during Game 2 action which saw Wellesley skate off with a 4-1 win. Coach Todd Demille had plenty of praise for the way Green has played for not only the season but also playoffs. (Photo By Neil Becker)

Nick Halliday in what was a 6-3 victory.

"The third game is the most important in a series," Demille said. "It's a long series and we just had to keep getting pucks to the net and staying positive."

Early on things looked bleak for Hagersville as they fell behind 2-0 in the second before exploding for six straight goals.

Kick starting the Hawks offence was Aleck Boyd who scored a shorthanded marker at the eight minute mark. Late in the second Halliday heated up in a big way as he produced two straight goals within a minute to put his team in the driver's seat.

"They were getting the bounces," Halliday said about the first two games. "We just wanted to keep shooting, crash the net and stay positive."

Halliday continued to be the Game 3 story as he scored his second power play marker and third goal of the game halfway through the third.

Following another Hawks goal from Hayden Baird it was once again Halliday who scored the sixth and final goal for Hagersville in what was obviously a critical must victory.

"We have to continue working hard. It will be a long series," Halliday said. Once again the Hawks had

their offence working in overdrive for Game 4 as they registered an astonishing 60 shots on goal in what was a series tying 8-2 victory.

The definite turning point of this game came in the second period when already protecting a 2-1 lead Hagersville exploded for four unanswered goals from Captain Jesse Ross, Kyle Phibbs, Rob Clause and Dan Stewart.

Wellesley would get one back early in the third but it wasn't nearly enough as the Hawks finished things off with two late period goals from 50 goal shooter Derek Medeiros and Jacob Erwin. Meanwhile continuing to impress Coach Demille has been the solid consistent play of Six Nations rookie forward Mitch Green.

"Mitch is the fastest skater in the league," Demille said. "He works hard shifts in and shifts out. He wins important face-offs and is great on the for check."

As for the series Demille doesn't want to get ahead of himself as he knows there is still a long ways to go.

"If we can win four straight after being down by two games that would be a big momentum booster," Demille said. "They are a good team and will not role over."

Slow start proves costly for Bantam Reps vs. Burford

Neil Becker
Sports Writer

Looking ahead Six Nations Bantam Rep forward Hunter Sibbick knows that not much if anything needs to be changed in their OMHA series against Burford.

Though they had numerous chances Six Nations who were playing at The Gaylord Powless Arena staked Burford to a 3-0 first period lead and despite a valiant effort couldn't recover as they dropped their Game 1 playoff opener by a 6-3 score.

"We definitely outplayed them in the first and second periods," Sibbick who was his aggressive self on the ice said. "In the third we let up and we can't do that. We don't have to change much. We just can't let up and have to keep going."

Heading into their opener Six Nations was at a strong disadvantage as they were missing scoring and sandpaper up front in the big bodies of Austin Staats and Trey

"They are a big part of the team," Sibbick said. "Austin is a strong aggressive player who can score and Trey is very fast and has good size." Despite continuously driving to the net and continuously pressing on offence Six Nations found themselves down 2-0 halfway through the first.

Knowing that the next goal was essential Six Nations continued to push with some desperation and had their best chances on a Shaun General shot which just missed the goal post along with Travis Longboat who missed from the slot.

"Burford and Caledonia are probably two of our biggest rivals," Sibbick who hit a couple of posts said. Things went from bad to worse four minutes into the middle period when Burford grabbed even more momentum with a fourth goal as they threatened to run away with things.

Not even a minute afterwards the Bantam Reps came through with a badly



Six Nations Bantam Rep forward Tanner Jonathan hunts for a rebound during weekend action at the Gaylord Powless Arena against Burford. Jonathan had a goal and two points in their Game 1 playoff loss. (Photo By Neil Becker)

needed goal courtesy of a Davin Whitlow breakaway which clanged off the post before going in top corner. Unfortunately penalties proved to be a downfall as Six Nations shortly afterwards surrendered a short-handed marker which restored Burford's four goal cushion.

The goals were coming

fast and furious as Six Nations got a goal less than three minutes later off an offensive zone face-off from Travis Longboat which cut the deficit to 5-3 with still half a game remaining.

Sensing blood the Bantam Reps continued to pour on the pressure with their best chances coming off the sticks of both Sibbick and

the hulking Cecil Monture. Longboat had at least half a dozen quality opportunities but was continuously denied.

Even though they continued buzzing around the Burford zone and causing traffic at the net they only scored one more goal and that was from Tanner Jonathan.

In the dying moments both penalty boxes were filling up as the rivalry between these two teams seems to be growing.

"It's very easy to get under their skin. They definitely have tempers on that team," Sibbick said. "We played a good game and we can't let up."

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Six Nations Ryan Scott almost perfect

By Neil Becker
Sports Writer

It's pretty clear that Six Nations Atom AE goalie Ryan Scott does his talking on the ice.

After putting on an absolute goaltending clinic during what was a 1-0 heartbreaking overtime playoff loss against Twin Centre Scott was at a loss for what to say.

While he kept on smiling and modestly shrugged his shoulders when asked about his solid performance his coach Scott Hill didn't hesitate in singing his praise.

"Ryan is a first year goalie who has performed really well all season," Hill said.

"He was really focused today and played extremely well."

Despite some solid goaltending the Six Nations Atom AE's who had only won four games all season long couldn't start off their OMHA series against Twin

Centre with a Game 1 victory.

Showing his true optimism Hill who believed his team was a little nervous to start was encouraged by what he saw in their overall performance.

"This was definitely a confidence booster for them because we showed that we can skate and play with them," Hill said. "It's a good feeling going into Game 2 and knowing that we can play with this team."

Heading into this much anticipated playoff showdown Hill whose team had previously lost twice to Twin Centre described them as being a fast team who moves the puck well.

When asked about certain strategy that Six Nations might be using in their series Hill who doesn't think his team played their best in Game 1 quickly replied "Matching speed, working hard and pressuring the puck."

Also coming close to being a hero was Preston Hill who with a little over



Six Nations AE was backed by flawless goaltending from Ryan Scott but it wasn't quite enough as they couldn't get their offence going against Twin Centre in OMHA weekend action at The Gaylord Powless Arena. (Photo By Neil Becker)

Throughout play Six Nations had numerous opportunities led by Qunade Powless and Thomas Mt.Pleasant who both came close to scoring.

Meanwhile it seemed like nothing was going past

two minutes remaining in regulation had the game on his stick when he roared down the right side before unleashing a hard slapper which didn't miss the far corner by much.

Scott as he made his best save with seconds remaining as he showed tremendous flexibility in stopping an opposing breakaway.

Unfortunately for all Six Nations AE fans in attendance it wasn't a storybook ending for them as Twin

Centre scored the Game 1 winner on a high rising shot over Scott's shoulder just seven seconds into the overtime.

"We have to be more aggressive and take more shots on net," Hill said.

Legault kept physically active all year round. She lives in Chelsea, Quebec, an outdoor enthusiast's Nirvana that features national parkland, a ski resort and a large trail system. Her cardiologist told Legault that her fitness level saved her life.

With women living longer, the Heart and Stroke Foundation is underlining the need for adult and senior women to embrace lifestyle choices to make health last. Since 1999, Bobbe Wood has championed innovative cardiovascular research, advocacy and public awareness initiatives on both the provincial and national levels. Wood, president of the foundation, has dedicated herself to improving awareness among women.

"Many women are unaware of, or simply ignore, the symptoms of heart attack and stroke. Women are less likely than men to believe they're having a heart attack or stroke, and more likely to delay treatment, putting their lives at risk," says Wood, founder of the Canadian female-focused The Heart Truth awareness campaign.

Heart disease and stroke is a leading cause of death for women in Canada, and kills seven times more women than breast cancer. Nine in 10 Canadian women have at least one significant risk factor for heart disease or stroke. Since her heart attack, Legault says she has learned new ways to improve her diet.

"I'm definitely more careful with my diet after the heart attack," says Legault. "I always check the labels when I go grocery shopping, I cook with olive oil instead of butter, eat smaller portions of meat and I don't eat things like cookies anymore."

Legault and her husband celebrated the second anniversary of her heart attack by returning to the Rideau Canal. Her husband teased up as they skated hand in hand.

"That was very emotional for me, and even more so for my husband. When I was in a coma, he stayed by my bed for three days as I lay there unconscious. He thought he had lost his best friend. Even today, it's still very emotional for him," she says.

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Aging population spurs need for women to make health last: Heart and Stroke Foundation

(NC)—Good fitness first saved Micheline Legault's life. Now, it's giving the 69-year-old a second life in her senior years

Nine years ago, Legault was taking her regular skate along Ottawa's Rideau Canal. An avid outdoors person, she was surprised to have trouble breathing. Just by chance, at that exact moment, Legault's husband called on her cell phone. He insisted she give her phone to a passerby, who

immediately called the paramedics. Legault soon suffered a heart attack, lost consciousness and remained in a coma for three days.

Despite having a history of heart disease in her family, Legault didn't think she was at risk.

"I really thought heart disease happened to men more than women, so this was a real surprise to me," said Legault.

Prior to her heart attack,

Legault kept physically active all year round. She lives in Chelsea, Quebec, an outdoor enthusiast's Nirvana that features national parkland, a ski resort and a large trail system. Her cardiologist told Legault that her fitness level saved her life.

With women living longer, the Heart and Stroke Foundation is underlining the need for adult and senior women to embrace lifestyle choices to make health last. Since 1999, Bobbe

Wood has championed innovative cardiovascular research, advocacy and public awareness initiatives on both the provincial and national levels. Wood, president of the foundation, has dedicated herself to improving awareness among women.

"Many women are unaware of, or simply ignore, the symptoms of heart attack and stroke. Women are less likely than men to believe they're having a heart attack or stroke, and more likely to delay treatment, putting their lives at risk," says Wood, founder of the Canadian female-focused The Heart Truth awareness campaign.

Heart disease and stroke is a leading cause of death for women in Canada, and kills seven times more women than breast cancer. Nine in 10 Canadian women have at least one significant risk factor for heart disease or stroke. Since her heart attack,

Legault says she has learned new ways to improve her diet.

"I'm definitely more careful with my diet after the heart attack," says Legault. "I always check the labels when I go grocery shopping, I cook with olive oil instead of butter, eat smaller portions of meat and I don't eat things like cookies anymore."

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Grand Canyon skywalk

FLAGSTAFF, Ariz. - A federal court on Monday dealt a blow to the business arm of a northern Arizona tribe that owns the Grand Canyon Skywalk by upholding a \$28.5 million judgment in favour of a Las Vegas developer who invested the money to build the horseshoe-shaped glass bridge on tribal land. The ruling by U.S. District Judge David Campbell rejected arguments by the Hualapai Tribe that the award isn't enforceable, calling one of the arguments "nonsensical" and another "odd." The American Arbitration Association had determined David Jin is owed the money, mostly for management fees that he was to receive under a 2003 contract with the tribe. Mark Tratos, an attorney for Jin, said Monday the ruling shows U.S. citizens have recourse in contract disputes with American Indian tribes.

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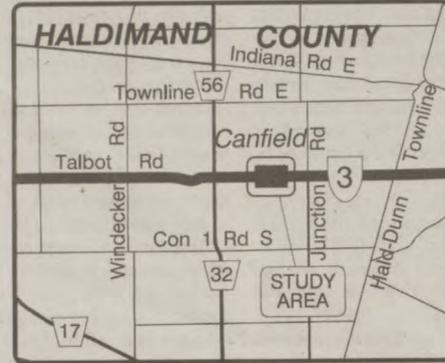
Detailed Design and Class Environmental Assessment Study Highway 3 Drainage Improvements Canfield, Ontario G.W.P. 3507-02-00, County of Haldimand

THE PROJECT

The Ontario Ministry of Transportation (MTO) is undertaking the Detailed Design in accordance with the Class Environmental Assessment (Class EA) Study completed during preliminary design for the drainage improvements on 1.2 km of Highway 3 within Canfield in Haldimand County.

The Recommended Plan includes:

- Lowering of the Highway 3 roadway to facilitate the capture of surface drainage;
- Construction of a new storm sewer system;
- Installation of new catchbasins;
- Rebuilding of sidewalks;
- Minor ditching;
- Street tree removals;
- Relocating utility poles;
- Replacement of illumination; and
- Replacement of several crossing and entrance culverts.



Traffic will be maintained on Highway 3 during construction. Sidewalks and parking will be maintained to the greatest extent possible. Vehicular access to driveways will be interrupted for two to three days to allow concrete to cure after placement of sidewalks and curb.

THE PROCESS

This project is being carried out in accordance with the Class Environmental Assessment (Class EA) for Provincial Transportation Facilities (2000), as a Group 'B' undertaking. A Transportation Environmental Study Report (TESR) was prepared during the preliminary design. The TESR was placed on the public record in June 2011 and received clearance to proceed to the Detail Design stage in July 2011.

This project includes fulfilling the commitments made in the TESR and addressing outstanding issues in detail. The project has been documented in a Design and Construction Report (DCR). Upon completion of the 30-day review period, this project may proceed to construction.

PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD

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Interested persons are encouraged to review the DCR and provide comments by **March 19, 2013**.

COMMENTS

Comments and information regarding this project are being collected to assist the project team in meeting the requirements of the Environmental Assessment Act. Information will be collected in accordance with the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. With the exception of personal information, all comments will become part of the public record.

If you wish to obtain additional information, obtain project updates or provide comments please contact one of the project team members listed below:

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Idle No More fast continued at Hamilton city hall through storm



He Carries the Strength of Two Buffalo outside his teepee on the front lawn of Hamilton City Hall during his four-day fast. (Photo by Donna Duric)

By Donna Duric
Writer

HAMILTON - Although Idle No More seems to be quieting down, one Mohawk man from Hamilton took it upon himself to keep the momentum going.

He Carries the Strength of Two Buffalo, as he's known, completed a four-day fast Tuesday afternoon with a drumming ceremony on the front lawn of Hamilton City Hall where he had pitched a teepee and consumed only liquids during the endeavor. Amid frigid temperatures and the worst blizzard to hit Hamilton in years, Strength and his supporters set up a teepee just as last Friday's monster snow storm began closing in on the city.

Strength said the peaceful fast was meant to educate people about Idle No More in a non-confrontational way.

"I found out about what Harper was doing and all the damage that's going on and I was like, what am I going to do? I noticed people started getting angry with the people trying to get the message across with stopping trains and stopping this and that. They were putting people out to try to get the message across but

the people that are being put out are only coming away with anger. I want them to understand this is about them, too (non-natives)."

The idea, which he said was in conjunction with Idle No More, came to him three weeks ago in a vision while he was standing on his front porch. "When I thought of fasting, at that moment I saw a wall of ancestors walking towards me. That's when I decided to do this four-day fast." Hamilton Police were cooperative and accommodating by providing him with a direct phone line to contact them if he was harassed, he said.

The four-day fast remained peaceful, with no taunts or harassment from anyone, said Strength.

He had spoken with City Hall officials, including Mayor Bob Bratina, who he said supported the action.

"We let them know what we were doing. They were perfectly fine with it."

He greeted a steady stream of visitors during the fast, including various members from all sectors of Hamilton's faith community. Muslim, Jewish and Christian faith leaders came by and

offered words of support, prayers and encouragement throughout the fast.

"It's been an awesome turnout. This area has been constantly full, always movement, always conversation."

Strength drank only cedar tea and other medicinal liquids during the endeavor. Strength has participated in many Idle No More rallies and flash mobs throughout the area in the past two months. He drummed at a flash mob and march during the January Art Crawl on James St. North in Hamilton, and he also drummed at a rally at the Cayuga courthouse last month.

Strength said to him, the Idle No More movement is about the environment and wildlife, which he believes will be harmed with the Conservatives' passing of legislation that strips away protection of Canadian rivers, lakes and waterways. He said he hoped that message was delivered in the peaceful way he intended during the four-day fast.

"The message that I've always grown up with is to do no harm. When you can do no harm there's no way for someone to be upset and the message can get across."

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Public Works Administrator	Oneida Nation of the Thames	\$65,000	Feb. 15
Aboriginal Community Health Broker, Castle Project, Brantford / Hamilton		\$21/hr	Feb. 15
Executive Director	Ontario Native Literacy Coalition	TBD	Feb. 18
Manager	Hamilton Executive Directors' Aboriginal Coalition	\$49-\$52,000	Feb. 21
Housing Outreach Worker	Brantford Native Housing	\$35-\$40,000	Feb. 22
Registered ECE	Little Treasures, Six Nations	TBD	Feb. 22
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SIX NATIONS COUNCIL

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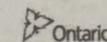
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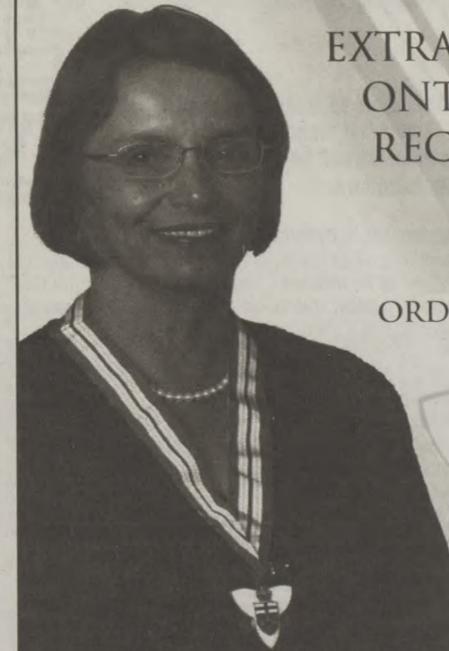
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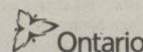
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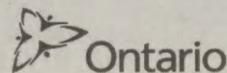
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The following criteria will be applied in the selection and appointment of community members:

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- Knowledge of and commitment to community policing
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- Willingness to adhere to Commission policies
- Able/willing to become knowledgeable of Commission proceedings
- Able/willing to attend training sessions
- Ability to participate in a consensus/decision-making process
- Able to attend regularly scheduled monthly evening meetings

- Provide at least two references
- Submit to an initial and an annual police background check by completing and signing a Police Information Check Form
- Must not have a criminal record
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OBITUARY

ANDERSON: H. MICHAEL (MOOSE)

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